STATE OF CONNECTICUT



INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

Bulletin PC-50 January 3, 2002

TO: ALL PROPERTY & CASUALTY INSURERS AUTHORIZED FOR COMMERCIAL LINES INSURANCE PRODUCTS

RE: FILING PROCEDURES FOR EXCLUSIONS RELATED TO ACTS OF TERRORISM

In view of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001 and the fact that Congress has been unable to reach agreement on the terms of a temporary federal solution, the Connecticut Insurance Department ("Department") has consulted with insurers and insurer rating and advisory organizations regarding necessary action to protect the solvency of insurance companies and to keep needed insurance available to Connecticut consumers. Insurers have advised the Department that due to the current reinsurance market, endorsements that exclude loss caused by certain acts of terrorism may be appropriate and necessary for some insurers, for some risks, in order to safeguard the insurer's financial stability.

The intent of this bulletin is to inform you of the decision in this state to approve certain limited exclusions for acts of terrorism and to provide a voluntary procedure for insurers to use to expedite the filing and timely review of these limited exclusions. As Commissioner, I was involved in recent discussions at the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) related to this issue. In a recent conference call, the members of the NAIC adopted a motion that

"if the Congress adjourns without enacting federal terrorism legislation, the states should grant conditional approval to commercial lines endorsements that exclude coverage for acts of terrorism consistent with the exclusion framework developed by ISO. To the extent permitted by state law, such approvals would sunset or be withdrawn 15 business days after the President signs into law a federal backstop to address insurance losses attributed to acts of terrorism, or be subject to other conditions on the approval consistent with state law."

The Department will act in a manner consistent with the recommendation from the NAIC membership. I believe this to be the best course of action as it balances the need of insurers to have some certainty related to solvency concerns with the business consumer's concerns that their businesses not be subject to uninsured events.

To date many unacceptable broad total exclusions have been filed by insurers to be attached to commercial and personal lines insurance products. These endorsements have been or will be disapproved for use in this state as inconsistent with Connecticut law.

Terrorism exclusions are not permitted for:

- Workers' Compensation Insurance
- Automobile Insurance
- Homeowners and Dwelling Fire Insurance
- Personal Excess or Umbrella Insurance

Instead of approving the very broad total exclusions of coverage for acts of terrorism, Connecticut intends to grant approval to exclusions that are substantially similar to the series of optional endorsements developed by the Insurance Services Office, Inc. (ISO). These endorsements include the following:

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY INTERLINE ENDORSEMENT: IL 09 40 01 02

(Applies in Standard Fire Policy States)

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY INTERLINE ENDORSEMENT: IL 09 42 01 02

(Applies in Standard Fire Policy States)

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY ENDORSEMENT: CG 21 69 0102

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY ENDORSEMENT: CG 31 42 01 02

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY ENDORSEMENT: CG 31 43 01 02

COMMERCIAL LIABILITY UMBRELLA ENDORSEMENT: CU 21 29 01 02

BUSINESSOWNERS ENDORSEMENT: BP 05 12 02 (Applies in Standard Fire Policy States)

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FARM LIABILITY ENDIRSEMENT: FL 10 30 01 02

ISO will permit the use of its copyrighted language by any insurer, including one that is not a current licensee of ISO for policy forms. Insurers that are current licensees of ISO for policy forms may use the new language pursuant to their current ISO agreements and approval by this state of its forms. Insurers that are affiliated with ISO and have given ISO authorization to file on your behalf, no further action is needed on your part.

Any insurer that does not have a license agreement in effect with ISO for policy forms is required to execute a short, limited license agreement that authorizes the use of the new language. ISO has indicated that there will be no fee for this limited license. You may contact ISO's Customer Service department directly for more information at 1-800-888-4ISO(4476) using option 2. You may also contact ISO at "info@ISO.com." You will be responsible for assuring compliance with this state's filing requirements, however, you may find that the expedited approval process outlined in this bulletin to be helpful in receiving prompt approval of your filing.

Explanation and Instructions for Expedited Review

The policy exclusions filed by ISO and approved by this state have some significant limitations that provide coverage for acts of terrorism under certain circumstances.

For policies providing property insurance coverage the following limitations apply:

- Exclusion for acts of terrorism only apply if the acts of terrorism result in industry-wide insured losses that exceed \$25,000,000 for related incidents that occur within a 72 hour period:
- Exclusions for acts of terrorism are not subject to limitations above if:
 - The act involves the use, release or escape of nuclear materials, or that directly or indirectly results in nuclear reaction or radiation or radioactive contamination;
 - The act is carried out by means of the dispersal or application of pathogenic or poisonous biological or chemical materials; or
 - Pathogenic or poisonous biological or chemical materials are released, and it appears that one purpose of the terrorism was to release such materials.

For policies providing liability insurance coverage the following limitations apply:

- Exclusion for acts of terrorism only apply if the acts of terrorism result in industry-wide insured losses that exceed \$25,000,000 for related incidents that occur within a 72 hour period; or
- Fifty or more persons sustain death or serious physical injury. For purposes of this provision serious physical injury means:
 - Physical injury that involves a substantial risk of death;
 - Protracted and obvious physical disfigurement; or
 - Protracted loss of or impairment of the function of a bodily member or organ.
- Exclusions for acts of terrorism are not subject to limitations above if;
 - The act involves the use, release or escape of nuclear materials, or that directly or indirectly results in nuclear reaction or radiation or radioactive contamination;
 - The act is carried out by means of the dispersal or application of pathogenic or poisonous biological or chemical materials; or
 - Pathogenic or poisonous biological or chemical materials are released, and it appears that one purpose of the terrorism was to release such materials.

Connecticut will accept the following definition of acts of terrorism or definitions that are more liberal to policyholders:

Terrorism means activities against persons, organizations or property of any nature:

- 1. That involve the following or preparation for the following:
 - a. Use or threat of force or violence; or
 - b. Commission or threat of a dangerous act; or
 - c. Commission or threat of an act that interferes with or disrupts an electronic, communication, information, or mechanical system; and
- 2. When one or both of the following applies:
 - a. The effect is to intimidate or coerce a government or the civilian population or any segment thereof, or to disrupt any segment of the economy; or
 - b. It appears that the intent is to intimidate or coerce a government, or to further political, ideological, religious, social or economic objectives or to express (or to express opposition to) a philosophy or ideology.

For an insurer to receive expedited approval of its exclusions for commercial lines insurance coverage, the exclusionary endorsements must comply with the terms and conditions set forth in this bulletin and be submitted in accordance with the instructions specified below. Further, you must certify that you are either using the ISO endorsements or using an endorsement that provides coverage at least as broad as the approved ISO endorsements.

Forms with Instructions

Attached to this bulletin is a uniform filing transmittal form that has been agreed upon by this state and other states. An insurer wishing to receive expedited treatment of its filing for approval in accordance with Connecticut Statute §38a-676 shall complete the EXPEDITED FILING—TERRORIST EXCLUSIONS APPLICATION Form Filing Transmittal as directed. In addition, the insurer(s) submitting this filing must certify that it is either using one or more of the ISO endorsements or has developed its own exclusionary language that provides coverage at least as

broad as the approved ISO endorsement with respect to coverage granted to policyholders. Certification is made by signing the appropriate blank on the transmittal form.

To be complete, a form filing must include the following:

- 1. A completed, certified Form Filing Transmittal Header for each insurer
- 2. One copy of each endorsement, unless you have given ISO authorization to file them on your behalf.
- 3. The appropriate filing fees.
- 4. A postage-paid, self-addressed envelope large enough to accommodate the return. Note that a comparable filing transmittal form is available in SERFF.

The Department will continue to monitor availability and affordability of insurance coverage in Connecticut. Terrorism exclusion endorsements are optional endorsements that should not be applied generally to all risks insured by a company. The insurer's underwriting file should contain supporting documentation for the use of the terrorism exclusion on the specific risk. The Department reserves the right to modify the requirements set forth in Bulletin PC-50 as circumstances warrant, including its withdrawal in the event Congress enacts a federal solution for the terrorism exposure.

If you have any questions on Bulletin PC-50, please call the Property and Casualty Division at 860-297-3867.

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Insurance Commissioner

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COMPLETED SAMPLE FORM

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